



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of: Edinger *et al.*

Confirmation No.: 6437

Application No.: 09/997,425

Group Art Unit: 1636

Filed: November 29, 2001

Examiner: Sullivan, Daniel M.

For: NOVEL ENDOZEPINE-RELATED
PRECURSOR LIKE PROTEINS AND
NUCLEIC ACIDS ENCODING SAME
(AS AMENDED)

Attorney Docket No.: Cura-475 CIP

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents
P. O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), Applicants hereby petition for a two (2) month extension of time for replying to the Office Action, which was mailed on September 27, 2004, in connection with above-identified application. With the extension, the reply is due on or before February 28, 2005 (February 27 is a Sunday).

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the \$225 (small entity) petition fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(2) to Deposit Account No. 502648, Reference No. Cura-475CIP. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed.

Date: February 28, 2005

Respectfully submitted,

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